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Summary

Practicing commercial lawyer and past director of a mid-cap NYSE gaming and entertainment company. Extensive gaming and hospitality experience as a lawyer and as a director.

Board Experience

Board of Directors – Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. *October 2002 – April 2016*

- Pinnacle Entertainment (NASDAQ: PNK) was a publicly traded gaming and entertainment company with casino resort properties in Nevada, Colorado, Louisiana, Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Mississippi, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Argentina, Bahamas, and a racetrack in Texas. PNK was acquired by PENN after a REIT sale to GLPI.

Skill Areas and Key Accomplishments:

- Governance and Nominating Committee (10 years) – Chair & member
- Member/Chair of CEO and board member search committees
- Audit Committee Member (13 years)
- Compliance Committee Member (13 years), Independent “Hotline” Committee Member (13 years), Chairman of compliance originated independent investigations
- Member of the Independent Director’s Litigation Committee
- Sole trustee of Directors’ Indemnity Trust & Risk Management Oversight Committee, Member of the Executive Committee
- Licensed or found suitable by 14 state, tribal and international gaming regulatory authorities

Practicing Attorney

- More than 40 years practicing gaming related business law, providing advice to local, regional and international clients in a range of industries
- Casino resort law in Nevada and other states: development and operations, suppliers and vendors, retail, restaurant, nightclub, and entertainment venues
- “C”-suite executive employment and severance agreements (private and public equity)
- Compliance and governance, acquisitions and sales, loans, and sports book wagering
- City of New Orleans (Honorary Citizen & key to the City) – City Council special counsel (Rivergate Casino)

Other Activities

- Past Expert Witness Services – Alter Ego; Books and Records
- Membership – New Mexico racetrack casino

Education

Northwestern University, School of Continuing Education

2013

Mediation Skills

Chicago, IL

New York University, School of Law

Master of Laws, Taxation

1979

New York, NY

University of Denver, College of Law

JD Degree

1977

Denver, CO

Northwestern University

Master of Management – Finance & Marketing

1974

Evanston, IL

Miami University

Bachelor of Science – Business Administration

1973

Oxford, OH

Affiliations

National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) – Past Member. Martindale Hubbell – Av rating. Workshops and director education programs at Stanford Law School Director's College & Deloitte.

Civic and Charitable Activities

- Miami University, Oxford OH – Giving Circle scholarship fund
- Nevada State Bar Fee Dispute Committee (present member)
- Nevada State Bar Disciplinary Committee (Past Panel Member – 12 years)
- Nevada State Parks Advisory Committee (Past Governor's Appointee)

Publications and Speaking Engagements

- Author, Lexology (2023 & 2024):
- [Shareholder Primacy in Nevada, the Business Judgment Rule, Guzman and Goodbye to "Inherent Fairness"](#)
- [Shareholder primacy & the business judgment rule - the post Guzman hangover in Nevada](#)
- [Fiduciary Duties & Excessive Director Compensation in Nevada- a Quick Comment](#)

Speaker, Clark County Bar Association, Lunchtime Learning Webcast, "Nevada's Business Judgment Rule Post- Guzman", April 11, 2024

Author, "The Doctrine of *Alter Ego* – Piercing the Veil – Nevada" (Nov 2022)

Author, "Mediation: A Litigation Alternative," *Nevada Business Magazine* (July 2013)

Instructor, "Racetrack to Casino," Independent Study Class, Miami University (Spring 2012)

Speaker, "The Role of Audit Committees in a Publicly Traded Company," Miami University (Oct 2011)

Author, "The Generation Skipping Tax and the Individual Trustee," *Estate, Gifts and Trust Journal*

Author, "Nevada Living Will Statute," *Inter Alia* (Nevada Bar Journal)

Presentations before the Association of American Law Schools, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, National Judicial College, and First Boston's High Yield Conference